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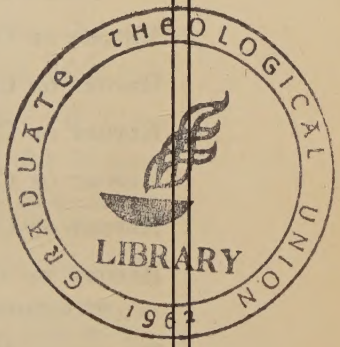

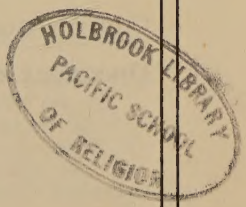

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OFFICIAL MINUTES

The Annual Meeting of the Federation of Woman's Foreign Mission Boards was held in New York City at 156 Fifth Avenue, Monday, January 13th and 14th, 1919.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mrs. H. R. Steele.

The Chairman stated that the message she had for the Federation in this day of opportunity was from Genesis xiii. 14, 15. She outlined the new position to which God had called America and His Church and the new standards, opportunities, and responsibilities which have been opened to women.

The Chairman led in prayer, after which "O, Zion Haste" was sung.

Report of the Executive Committee: Mrs. H. R. Steele, Chairman, read the report of the Executive Committee, covering the activities of the Federation for the past year. The report was accepted.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer of the Federation, Mrs. DeWitt Knox, read her report, which was adopted.

The Chairman announced that the Secretary of the Federation, Mrs. Fennel P. Turner, was detained at home on account of illness, and that Mrs. Knox, the Treasurer, would serve as secretary, *pro tem.*

Report of the Committee on Methods: Mrs. E. C. Cronk read the report of the Committee on Methods. The report was accepted.

Report of the Committee on Summer Schools: Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter read this report, which was accepted.

Report of the Committee on Student Work: Mrs. Frank Gaylord Cook, Chairman of the Committee on Student Work, read the report of her Committee. This report was accepted.

Report of the Committee on Publications: Mrs. Henry W. Peabody read the report of this Committee, which report was accepted.

Report of Committee on Christian Literature for Women and Children in Mission Fields: The report of this Committee, read by Miss Alice M. Kyle, was accepted.

Report of the Committee on Interdenominational Institutions: Mrs. W. F. McDowell read the report of this Committee and the report was accepted.

The United Drive for Foreign Missions: Dr. Earl Taylor was introduced and presented the plan for the United Drive of the Inter-Church World Program:—It was

Voted: That we approve in principle the great world program to be projected at this time and appoint a Committee to confer with the leaders of the Movement.

The Chair appointed the following Committee:—Mrs. Steele, Miss Davison, Miss Bender, Mrs. Montgomery, Miss Kyle.

Report of the Field Representative: Mrs. E. C. Cronk, the Chairman of the Committee on Methods, read the report of Mrs. Paul Raymond, the Field Representative of the Federation. The report was accepted.

Executive Committee's Resolutions concerning Mrs. Raymond's Report: The Acting Secretary, Mrs. Knox, read the resolutions passed by the Executive Committee with regard to the work of Mrs. Raymond, the Field Representative.

Voted: That while we welcome the Inter-Church Federation and shall be glad to be related to it, we believe the large interests of our foreign missionary societies will be better conserved if we preserve our organizations as local Missionary Unions and their relation to our National Federation of Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies.

Voted: In view of the splendid work accomplished by Mrs. Raymond during the past year, the fine report of which has just been presented to the Federation, "Be it resolved that we extend to Mrs. Raymond a most appreciative vote of thanks for her untiring work and comprehensive program, which our financial obligations prevent our following up during the coming year."

Nominating Committee for Next Year: The Chairman announced the following Nominating Committee for 1919: Miss Hodge, Mrs. Daniels, and Mrs. Turner.

Report of the Nominating Committee:

For President, Mrs. Hume R. Steele

For Vice-President, Miss Alice M. Davison

For Secretary, Miss Vernon Halliday
For Treasurer, Mrs. J. C. Henley
For Chairmen of Standing Committees:
Methods of Work, Mrs. E. C. Cronk
Summer Schools and Conferences, Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter
Student Work, Mrs. Frank Gaylord Cook
Publications and Literature, Mrs. Henry W. Peabody
Christian Literature for Women and Children in Mission Fields, Miss Alice M. Kyle
Interdenominational Institutions on the Foreign Field, Mrs. William Boyd.

The report of the Nominating Committee was accepted and upon motion the officers were elected by unanimous vote.

Mrs. Steele thanked the Federation for the opportunity for service and urged coöperation during the coming year.

Mrs. J. C. Henley of Indianapolis, Treasurer, and Mrs. William Boyd, of Philadelphia, Chairman of Committee on Interdenominational Institutions on the Foreign Field, were introduced.

Number of Delegates Present: The Acting Secretary reported that over one hundred delegates and visitors representing twenty-one Boards, were present.

The Missionary Review of the World: Mrs. W. H. Farmer spoke of the Federation Bulletin and the Department of Best Methods in the *Missionary Review of the World,* and made an appeal for subscribers.

Missionary Education Movement: A communication from the Missionary Education Movement was read asking that a representative of the Federation be appointed to confer with the leaders of that Movement in order to review the whole missionary educational situation and to discover the way by which the various organizations can coöperate in the work to the best advantage.

Mrs. DeWitt Knox was appointed to represent the Federation, Mrs. Peabody to represent the Central Committee on the United Study of Foreign Missions.

The Report of the Special Committee on Coöperation with

the Council of Women for Home Missions: This report was read by Miss Hodge. She stated that coöperation with the Council of Women for Home Missions had been endorsed by the Executive Committee of the Federation and that a constitution for Local Missionary Unions had been approved. This report was accepted.

Twelve O'clock Noon a Time for Prayer: The recommendation was adopted by a rising vote: That the Council of Women for Home Missions, and the Federation of Woman's Boards of Foreign Missions call the women of America to observe twelve o'clock noon of each day as a time of prayer to Almighty God.

The following resolution was presented by Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter and adopted: An organized Summer School of Missions or conference may become affiliated with the Federation of Woman's Boards of Foreign Missions provided its plans and purpose will have met the approval of the majority of the Boards officially represented on its Committee of Management.

Adjournment: Mrs. O. R. Williamson of Chicago dismissed the meeting with prayer.

PREPAREDNESS CONFERENCE

Tuesday, January 24th, 1919, 10 A. M.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mrs. H. R. Steele.

Mrs. Montgomery led in prayer.

The Chairman introduced the new Secretary, Miss Vernon Halliday, and the following Missionaries: Miss Minnie Gohn, Dr. Mary Carlton of Mintsing, Fuhkien, China, and Dr. Harriet Love of Soochow, China.

The Preparedness Conference was opened by Miss Alice M. Davison, who spoke on the topic, "The Demobilizing Woman." Miss Davison said in part:

"We must take advantage of this wonderful opportunity presented to the Church by the demobilization of men and women who have been engaged in the greatest service they

could render, and who are very soon to be discharged from that service.

"After a time of special enthusiasm, inspiration and sacrifice there is always the danger of sudden collapse or reaction.

"The great need of our Missionary Societies and Boards is to generate an enthusiasm for the Kingdom of God, which will be as great as the enthusiasm which has been engendered in war service. We must show the need. War workers went into their work because they felt the inspiration of a need.

"When Red Cross nurses and canteen workers are discharged and come home we must meet them with a definite proposition, we must present to them medical work in foreign lands and tell them of the urgent need of doctors and nurses. We must be concrete. It is not enough to say there is need and opportunity. We must present our appeal on a practical basis. We must recognize the woman in our Churches who has been doing war work with her hands; the woman who does not care for missionary addresses.

"For such a woman I have a suggestion, which has come from the pastor of one of our leading Churches: That the well-trained Red Cross workers among our women be organized into a permanent Red Cross group, to supply surgical dressings for the hospitals in the Foreign Mission Fields, to meet the need in these hospitals, as reported by the missionaries."

Mrs. J. A. Cushman, of the National Board, Y. W. C. A., was then introduced and spoke as follows:

"The suggestions that have been made are along the lines of the volunteer worker. I have in mind the demobilizing of the great army of the employed workers; women by the millions, who have been in industry because of the war and who, because of the loss of their men, must continue in industry—the woman worker who goes back to her home that has not been demolished and the woman who has no home to go back to. It is the moment above all moments for the Protestant Church to step in. It is a wonderful moment. American women have never felt the work and responsibility of the world. We do not realize this obligation in America as it is realized in Europe. It is

for the Churches and organized Christian movements to be so united in their prayers and in their plans that young womanhood at home may be galvanized and led to share the spiritual experience of the men at the front."

The discussion of the topic, "The Professional Woman," was opened by Mrs. Montgomery, who said:

"The group I wish to speak of is found largely in cities. It includes trained nurses, physicians, social workers, public school teachers, women at heads of department stores, supervisors, music-teachers, clerks, private secretaries, stenographers and others. We must get these women in our Missionary Societies—we must have professional women on our Mission Boards. If we want these women at our meetings we must make it possible for them to attend by suiting their convenience as to time and place. We must have a new type of literature for them, a literature to fit the needs of busy people and to give them a big view in a small compass on a big subject."

Miss O. H. Lawrence presented the opportunity of "The Woman in the Home Church." She said in part:

"There is nothing more contagious than enthusiasm. If we believe in a great cause and love it, we are bound to get some other women to believe in it too. Women who have spent much time in knitting during the war because of the emergency of the situation may now be led by us to give themselves to Missions because of the emergency of the present world crisis. There are women in our churches whose names we know who are not members of our Missionary Societies. We must send them our literature. We must invite them to our meetings. We must make them see that the foundation of the Red Cross is the Cross of Calvary."

The discussion on "Individual Gifts" was opened by Mrs. Stone, who emphasized the importance of small gifts from many people. Mrs. Stone said:

"We have learned in this war how small gifts count. We all know that the Thrift Stamp and the small economies brought more into the nation's treasury than the millions given by magnates, and we know that the liberty loaf and the saving of the sugar by the spoonful saved a starving world. We ought not to

have to plead for big gifts for we recognize the one solution for the world's distractions and ills is Jesus Christ and His Spirit. We must have inspirational addresses, conventions and luncheons for busy people, and the educational campaign and the direct appeal, but God alone gives us entrance into the hearts of people and helps us to make known the real need."

Mrs. Peabody then spoke on the new Publicity plans of the Federation and presented six beautiful posters, which were received by the Federation with great enthusiasm. A plan for a Rainbow Campaign for Recruits was then outlined as follows:

PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM AND CAMPAIGN FOR RECRUITS

Submitted by Publications Committee,
Mrs. H. W. Peabody, Chairman

Now after the roar and crash of battle, after the blood and tears, God's Bow of Promise, His everlasting Covenant, may span all the seas. We women may help to make the rainbow—for surely our covenant with Him is not to be a "scrap of paper." Our moment in the World's History has come. Are we prepared? If not, we are unworthy to be leaders of Boards and Societies, unworthy of our Great Divine Leader.

Women have made a new record in war.

Are they ready to make a new record in missions?

Boards are in need of money. We have learned how to give for war. How can we learn to give for missions?

The Program for War was *First Volunteers.* When the boys marched away hearts were opened and people were eager to give to Liberty Loan, for War Work, for Red Cross.

There is a great financial drive planned, on which we may enter in a few months. Recruiting should precede this. Our plan includes:

I. A Recruiting Campaign.

This is not to supersede or interfere with the plans for reaching colleges, but there are thousands of women now graduates of colleges with experience as doctors, teachers, nurses, music teachers, Christian workers, social and welfare workers. Our first call must be for these. They could go now. There are many who are demobilizing.

How can we reach them?

1—By a united effort.

2—By prayerful effort.

3—By persuading them to *look* on the Fields.

II. Publicity Plans.

(a) Meetings of professional women of the type who might be valuable in mission fields. These meetings to be held with a supper.

(b) By addresses at such meetings planned in some respects along successful war lines.

Teams should include:

1—A Veteran, Board leader or missionary.

2—A new recruit or Volunteer.

3—A recruiting officer who will be supplied with material—posters, Rainbow literature, Prayer and Pledge cards.

Local Committees.

In addition to the teams sent out under direction of Boards, Local Committees must be formed in cities where the campaign is on. These are from all the churches. Their work is to secure a place for such a meeting, appoint groups to secure the presence of professional women—not through public announcement but personal invitation. They will arrange for a Rainbow quartette of musical girls to lead the songs. They will secure patronesses, who will help to pay for the supper and will be present to secure the inspiration. Women of means will not grudge $5.00 each for this. Six Four-Minute women must be secured to answer the questions: Who, Why, When, Where, How and Wherewithal, from the leaflets in the envelope. They should be those who can do it strongly and effectively.

A group of "Canteen" workers will help to serve the supper.

We must not fail to have groups organized for prayer for the meeting—that God will call the right ones to enlist in Foreign Service.

MATERIAL FOR BOARDS.

(1) *Posters.* The series of six Federation posters in color present the needs as follows:

1—A Call to Prayer
2—For Christ and the World—Lend, Give, Join, Send, Go
3—To Doctors and Nurses—A Message from Edith Cavell
4—To Teachers—Democracy Is Not Enough, It Must Be Christian
5—The Federation Poster—Federated to Fight For 500,000,000 Women
6—The Book Poster—A Crusade of Compassion

(2) *The Rainbow Series.*

Who? Why? When? Where? How? Wherewithal? An artistic envelope containing six leaflets in color with answers to these questions which naturally arise in the minds of women who have never considered foreign service. They consist of 800 words each and form the basis for the speeches of the Four-Minute Women.

(3) In the envelope is included a sheet of hymns—our songs—all familiar.

(4) The Prayer and Pledge Card is also enclosed in the envelope. The appeal will be made by the Recruiting Officer, who should be a woman of intelligence, spiritual power and appeal.

THE PROGRAM.

1—Supper: a simple, attractive meal to which professional women are *invited.* Patronesses will defray expense.

2—Singing.

3—Appeal from a Veteran, a strong missionary speaker, Board Worker or Missionary. Fifteen or 20 minutes. Topic: The Call of the World Today.

4—Six Four-Minute Women answer the questions: Who? Why? When? etc., getting points from Rainbow Series.

5—Singing.

6—Recruiting Officer presents the call of the King, displays posters, and presents Pledge Cards. This is made a serious, prayerful call and all are asked to take home the souvenir envelope at their plates containing the leaflets, and sign at least one of the pledges which should be read and explained.

Washington, of course, will begin the campaign. We have a Cabinet there now at work. We hope our first Battalion of Life will enlist there Jan. 27, where 250 such women are invited to hear the call.

Philadelphia's Liberty Bell may ring out the first call, January 22.

FINANCE.

The Local Committee in large cities, as in the Jubilee, will plan for local expenses.

ORGANIZATION.

The Executive Committee of the Federation will appoint a sub-committee to act as a Central Committee to arrange for the territorial divisions. These will be determined by the location of groups of Boards, and will include such centres as:

New England	Nashville
New York	Pittsburgh
Philadelphia	The Pacific Coast
Chicago	and other Divisions

The Board in each territory will each appoint two or more women on the Rainbow Committee for that territory. They will

add leading District or State representatives of denominations not represented by Boards. This Committee will decide which cities shall be visited, and will communicate with them. They will also select and train the team or teams and will furnish full instructions to the Local Committees.

They will secure Posters, Rainbow Literature, and will make clear and enthusiastic presentation of the plans in the religious and secular Press, giving the facts regarding the needs of the women of non-Christian lands and stating the need of workers, the type of workers and the great need of larger gifts. The Rainbow Committee will suggest special services of prayer in all the churches for this campaign. They will ask Local Committees to present the plan to pastors and secure their coöperation through sermons.

A service flag should be presented to each church by the Local Committee. Such a flag will be designed and the pattern furnished. One church that sent 145 recruits to war has not one star on its missionary service flag. Make reports in the meeting of those who have the service flags with the cross instead of the star.

The posters may be secured from Women's Foreign Mission Boards, put up in sets of six in a mailing tube, price 50 cents.

The Rainbow colored envelope, containing the six leaflets and prayer and dedication card with hymns, can be furnished for 5 cents each, and will be ready by January 25.

Other suggestions will be received gladly and made a part of the plan if possible. It is hoped that this program will begin at once and may continue through April, until all the centres of first and second size have been reached.

Much will depend on the enthusiasm, intelligence and prayer brought to the task. Think what it would mean to tired workers in the trenches out on the far-flung battle line, to hear the sound of the marching feet of a new army of occupation. Think of those who have been not four but forty years at the front. Think of closed hospitals for lack of workers. We know what American boys did as an army of relief on the West Front. Have we heroism equal to theirs?

"And ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost has come upon you and ye shall be my witnesses unto the uttermost parts of the earth."

Mrs. Henry W. Peabody, *Chairman,*
Publications Committee.

All communications must be addressed to Mrs. DeWitt Knox, 216 West 56th St., New York, N. Y. All supplies should be ordered from Miss M. H. Leavis, West Medford, Mass.

After an enthusiastic discussion, it was

Voted: That the Federation adopt the posters, recommend the use of the leaflets—"Who? Why? When? Where? How? Wherewithal?", and urge group meetings as suggested in the plan.

Mrs. Peabody was given a rising vote of thanks.

The representatives of thirteen Boards ordered 14,000 sets of posters.

Voted: That we leave to the Executive Committee of the Federation the organization of the united country-wide drive.

The Conference closed with an earnest Prayer Service led by Mrs. J. A. Webb, Jr. The keynotes sounded were joy in service, recognition of responsibility, and courage to undertake great tasks in the Spirit and power of the Master.

Mrs. H. R. Steele, *President.*
Mrs. DeWitt Knox, *Secretary pro tem.*

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The year has marked a deeper interest in the Federation and a larger work by the Committees in the lines of work for which each is responsible.

Four meetings of the Executive Committee have been held during the year. The first meeting was held in January immediately following the meeting of the Federation at which time the standing committees were nominated and special committees appointed to consider the recommendations for co-

operation which had been presented to the Federation in annual session by the Council of Women for Home Missions. Plans of work for the year were outlined. Mrs. Paul Raymond, the newly elected Field Representative, was present and outlined plans for the work to be done on the Pacific Coast in coöperation with the Layman's Missionary Movement. A report of her splendid work will be presented by the Chairman of the Committee on Methods. The result of the systematic campaign in which Mrs. Raymond had so large a part cannot be measured. She is resourceful in plans and methods for creating an interest in Missions, and she used in a large way her opportunity for presenting the cause to many thousand women in the mass meeting and conventions that were held during the campaign.

The Executive Committee was called together in May to hear the reports of the Special Committees on Coöperation with the Council of Women for Home Missions. Resolutions were passed endorsing coöperation in work in which both agencies are interested. A constitution for Local Missionary Unions was presented and a leaflet setting forth the value of such Missionary Unions was authorized. The material for this leaflet has been prepared and submitted by Mrs. Raymond and will be printed and ready for distribution at an early date.

The regular ad interim meeting of the Executive Committee was held in October. Owing to the change in plans of the Layman's Missionary Movement and in view of the low condition of the Treasury the Executive Committee voted with regret to recommend to the Federation, that a Field Representative should not be employed for the coming year.

The Committee voted cordial appreciation of Mrs. Raymond and her enthusiastic work.

We are standing on the threshold of an unprecedented opportunity, a commanding spiritual opportunity awaits us. We must advance else we will lose the peace which has been won at so great a cost of life and treasure. A peace which cannot be broken by war must be established on international confidence, respect and good will, and can only be permanent as the principles of Jesus Christ are applied to individual and

national life. A world half slave and half free cannot be a home for humanity. The world has become a brotherhood; foreign missions have become Church Extension. A large work is possible through the Federation that is not possible to single boards. The Federation must be made more efficient or it will be less so. To go forward it must be put on a larger financial basis—it must have the full and cordial support of the coöperating boards. Victory on the western front of Europe was won by a real unity of the forces against militarism and loyalty to a great commander. Victory over the forces of ignorance and sin can only be won when the Christian forces of the world come into that unity which our great Commander, the Lord Jesus Christ, prayed might bind together all who believe on Him.

MARIANNE T. STEELE, *Chairman.*

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

January, 1918—January, 1919

1918	Balance	$ 459.15
Jan. 9	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Free Methodist	25.00
Jan. 11	Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, General Synod, Reformed Church in United States	3.00
Jan. 16	Woman's National Missionary Society, Universalist	5.00
Apr. 9	Balance Summer School Committee Fund	9.16
Apr. 10	Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, Advent Christian	5.00
Apr. 29	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, American Baptist	100.00
May 11	Mrs. Raymond's Expenses (Special)	50.00
May 16	Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, General Synod, Evangelical Lutheran	25.00
May 22	Woman's Board of Missions of Interior, Congregational	45.00
May 23	Woman's Board of Missions, Methodist Episcopal, South	100.00
June 28	Mrs. Raymond's Expenses (Special)	50.00
June 28	Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, Presbyterian	100.00

June 28	Interest	2.25
July 15	Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, Reformed Church in America	25.00
July 30	Balance Congress of Missions	28.81
July 30	Programs sold by Mrs. Raymond	2.20
Nov. 19	Woman's Missionary Society, Presbyterian in Canada	50.00
Nov. 21	Woman's Board of Missions, Congregational, Boston	50.00
Nov. 21	Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, Christian (Disciples)	5.00
Nov. 26	National Board, Young Women's Christian Association	10.00
Nov. 27	Woman's Missionary Society, Evangelical Association	20.00
Dec. 6	Woman's Auxiliary, Presbyterian Church in United States	50.00
Dec. 7	Woman's General Missionary Society, United Presbyterian Church of North America	25.00
Dec. 16	Christian Woman's Board of Missions	50.00
Dec. 20	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Methodist Episcopal	100.00
Dec. 30	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Free Methodist	25.00
Dec. 31	Woman's National Missionary Society, Universalist	5.00
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Jan. 3	Woman's Missionary Society, General Council, Evangelical Lutheran	25.00
Jan. 7	Woman's Foreign Missionary Union, Friends in America	25.00
Jan. 7	Special Mrs. Cronk, Mrs. Raymond's Expenses	20.00
Jan. 7	Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, Reformed Church in America (Forward Work)	50.00
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	$1,944.57
	TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	1,592.06
	BALANCE	$ 352.51

LOUISE CHAMBERS KNOX, *Treasurer.*

Audited and found correct.
January 10, 1919.
HOWELL S. BENNET,
Ex. Acct.
OLIVIA H. LAWRENCE.

1918			
Jan.	16	Garden City Telegram	$ 1.60
Jan.	18	Expense Account, Student Committee	11.67
Jan.	18	Expense Account, Methods Committee	6.75
		Annual Meeting	
		Extra luncheons, church fees, telephones	19.50
		Silver Bay Armenian Club	5.00
		Organist (two sessions)	25.00
		Expense Account, Mrs. H. R. Steele	14.65
		Expense Account, Secretary	10.00
Jan.	19	Mrs. Paul Raymond	100.00
Jan.	21	Alliance Press (Programs)	19.00
Feb.	2	Secretary, Mrs. Bowman	40.00
Feb.	15	Alliance Press (Letter Heads)	36.74
Feb.	15	Expense Account, Mrs. Fiske	24.81
Feb.	15	Expense Account, Summer School Committee	50.00
Feb.	27	Postage for sending reports, etc.	.72
		Mrs. Paul Raymond	66.68
Mar.	19	Mrs. Paul Raymond	83.33
Mar.	19	Expense Account, Mrs. McDowell	15.00
Apr.	1	Mrs. Paul Raymond	83.33
May	6	Christian Literature Programs	16.25
May	6	Mrs. Paul Raymond	83.33
May	16	Executive Committee	
		Luncheon	10.00
		Expense Account, Mrs. Williamson	50.00
		Expense Account, Mrs. Cook and Student Committee	46.00
		Expense Account, Mrs. Peabody and Missionary Review of the World	65.00
		Expense Account, Mrs. Steel	50.00
		Expense Account, Mrs. Cronk	28.75
		Expense Account, Miss Kyle	21.35
June	1	Mrs. Paul Raymond	83.33
		Mrs. Paul Raymond (Special)	50.00
July	31	Insurance Press (Reports)	220.19
Nov.	6	Secretary for Stenographic work, etc.	26.68
Nov.	22	Mrs. Paul Raymond (Special)	50.00
Dec.	9	Executive Committee	
		Expense Account, Mrs. Steele	40.00
		Expense Account, Mrs. McDowell	24.50
		Expense Account, Mrs. Cook and Committee.	48.50
		Expense Account, Miss Kyle	23.50

1919			
Jan.	8	Mrs. Paul Raymond (Expense Account)	40.90
		Total Disbursements	$1,592.06

Tentative Budget for Year 1919

Committee Expenses	$ 250.00
Expenses of Delegates	350.00
Printing, Stenographic work, etc.	400.00
Incidentals, Postage, etc.	100.00
New York	500.00
	$1,500.00

Louise Chambers Knox, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON METHODS OF WORK

The work of the Committee has been hampered by the distances which separate its members and the lack of funds which make a meeting impossible. Conferences of members as they could arrange to get together without involving additional expense have been held but no meeting of the entire committee was possible. Work has been done along three lines:

First: Summer Schools. Methods of work have been presented by members of the Committee from the platform at seventeen summer schools and in many smaller groups.

Second: Periodicals. The denominational and interdenominational magazines have been utilized for the presentation of practical methods. Realizing the reach and influence of the magazines of America, our ambitions have soared further than the strictly missionary periodicals, and, since the theme for the next text book is one which can be presented in a popular and appealing way, we hope to secure the publication of a number of articles and stories on medical missions in the leading secular magazines. Harper's has already accepted a missionary story by one of the well-known short story writers, we can secure the publication of some valuable material which will have a wider reach than the usual missionary circle.

The committee has the assurance of a number of leading editors of their interest and their readiness to publish articles on medical work in foreign lands if authors can be secured to furnish manuscript which measures up to the required literary standard. We are in communication now with missionaries on the field who will furnish the material and with writers who will edit it.

Third: City Missionary Unions. There have been more calls than could be answered for courses in methods to be presented at annual meetings and special institutes held by city missionary unions. Whenever it was possible members of the committee have rendered this service, the expense being met by the local union. The insistent calls for speakers and leaders for all day meetings and for institutes of from several days to a week in length suggest that, if it were possible for the Federation to provide a team of speakers and to arrange a schedule which would embrace as many cities as possible in succession, the expense could easily be met.

Christian Literature Program. The committee has assisted in advertising and circulating the program issued by the Committee on Christian Literature for women and children in Mission Fields as instructed by the Executive Committee.

Organization Leaflet. In the preparation of the leaflet on the organization and value of local unions which the chairman was instructed to issue for use at summer schools such evident difficulties were encountered because of the necessity of the working out of details in coöperation with the Council of Women for Home Missions that after consultation with the President of the Federation and the Field Representative it was decided to postpone the publication of such a leaflet until the constitution and plans for city unions should be finally adopted. An excellent manuscript has been prepared by Mrs. Raymond which will be submitted to the Executive Committee at its January meeting.

Work of Field Representative. We have studied the report of the Field Representative referred to us and recognize in it a rare grasp of the big possibilities and opportunities for federated work at the present time, as well as unusual ability

for organization and efficiency in meeting these possibilities. Mrs. Raymond has outlined a comprehensive program and policy not possible of attainment in a day or in a year but one which challenges thorough and sustained work. By her first year's work she has proven that the plans are workable and effective. We make the following recommendations in regard to the questions referred to us:

1. On Relationships—National

(a) That, for the present and until the work can be further developed we deem it inadvisable to attempt the organization of County and State Federations or Unions, unless it be in exceptional cases such as California where a more complete system is being developed than is possible in other states at present.

(b) That, for the present, the relation of the City Union be directly to the National Federation.

2. On Relationships—Local

(a) and (b) That these questions be discussed by the Executive Committee.

(c) That in churches in which there is only one woman's organization which embraces all activities including the missionary work such societies shall be entitled to membership in the union even though their activities are not confined exclusively to missionary work.

3. On Activities

On this point we find a decided difference of opinion. Some of our leaders are assured that the City Unions should hold strictly to educational and inspirational work which shall find its financial expression and its channels of service in the churches represented, while others are insistent that the federated organization should engage as such in city mission work and in the securing of funds for causes in the home and foreign field which are entitled to the support of all denominations. We recommend that the Executive Committee discuss this point and take action in regard to it.

4. Standard of Efficiency

We recommend that the Standard of Efficiency and the Extension and Conservation Program for City Missionary Unions be published with the changes which shall be agreed upon by the joint committee of the Federation and the Council of Woman for Home Missions.

The Committee has provided the funds needed in addition to the amount voted from the Federation Treasury for this work. To the interest and coöperation of Mr. W. E. Doughty in this direction we owe much.

Now that the war is ended we realize the absolute necessity of a program big with plans adequate to the needs of the great non-Christian world. During war days we have been living on a hitherto unknown high plane of sacrifice and service. Supreme opportunity faces us now to maintain the standards which have won a war to win a world. We recommend that the Federation consider the advisability of appointing a committee to arrange for meetings in as many important cities as possible in which such an aggressive program shall be presented.

Mrs. E. C. Cronk, *Chairman.*

ANNUAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF SUMMER SCHOOLS AND CONFERENCES

Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter, *Chairman*

The Christian Churches of America have long since learned that the Summer Schools of Missions and Conferences spell

INSPIRATION
INFORMATION
CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
RECREATION.

Each year has given evidence of God having stored up fresh blessings to pour out upon His own, who attend in the right spirit.

The year, 1918, just closed, will go down into history, as a year of unprecedented attendance of the young, of largely increased interest in missions and Bible study, of heart to heart searchings in prayer groups, of the manifestation of the highest Christian patriotism, and of liberal offerings to the sufferers under war conditions, in Armenia, Belgium and France.

Demands of Today Which the Spirit Filled Summer Schools of Missions Can Meet:

Quiet hours of communion with the Lord:
Unhurried study of the Bible:
A deepening of the spiritual life:
A divine stimulus for Christian activities:
A close touch with optimistic Christian companions:
How to train leaders for the Church of tomorrow:
The best methods of carrying on the Lord's work at home and abroad:
How to help solve the problem of the world's need of the gospel.

On the Trail of Summer Schools and Conferences of 1918

Location of Summer Schools by States

East: Four, in three states—New York, New Jersey and Massachusetts.

Central: Eight, in four states—Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois.

West: Six, in five states—Kansas, Colorado, Missouri, Minnesota, and Oklahoma.

South: Five, in five states—Maryland, North Carolina, Alabama, Florida, and Texas.

Pacific Coast: Three in California.

The Story Figures Tell for Nineteen and Eighteen

Twenty-three Schools report.

Dates: Seven in June, eight in July, six in August, one in September, and one—a Winter School—in January.

Registration Fees: One dollar to three dollars.

Number of Registrations:

$$10{,}441 + 450 = 10{,}891 + 346 = 11{,}237.$$

Schools Which Numbered Five Hundred and Over:

Minnesota	1,461
Chautauqua	936
Northfield	927
Chambergsburg	778
New Wilmington	666
Los Angeles	650
Princeton	550
Boulder	500

Denominations represented, ranged from five to twenty-five.

Chautauqua	25
Winona	16
Northfield	15
Chambersburg	15

Number of missionaries in attendance	425

Chautauqua	100
Los Angeles	37
New Wilmington	32
Northfield	30
Asilomar	28
Winona	19

Number of counties represented	29

Number of study classes held	111
Members in classes at fifteen Schools	3,326
Text-books used including the Bible	20
Number of instructors and leaders	232

Suggestive Features in Programs:

Advanced work for young women.

Helpful "story-hours" for children.

Kindergartens for little ones, (while the Mothers were in study classes).

Text-book chapters—illustrated in living form.

"Living pictures" of Oriental women at work.

"X-Ray Clinic"—for feeble officers and members of missionary societies.

World War from a Woman's view-point.

With French Christian Allies. (Mc All mission dramatized.)

America's Contribution to the World. (A pageant)

Noted Women of the Orient. (Illustrated)

Story of the Year. (Pageant in twelve acts)

The Christian Shuttle.

"Kimona" Conference. (Nine A. M., in camps)

Ice-Breakers. (Fellowship)

Acquaintance Hour. (Social)

Literature, Chart, Map and Poster exhibits.

Receptions, luncheons, teas, hikes, picnics, corn-roasts, baseball (by girls) amusing stunts and games of all kinds during recreation hours.

Say-So Meetings.

Separation Moments. (Serenade by the Choir girls carrying lanterns.)

Encouragements

1st—That—notwithstanding war conditions, the majority of the Summer Schools and Conferences reached their highest mark in attendance, in the true spirit of missions, and in efficiency.

2d—That—as the time for holding the School sessions is being lengthened, from time to time, the scope of the programs is being broadened, and in form made more attractive.

3d—That—the influence of the Summer Schools of Missions and Conferences has stimulated missionary interest, created a real enthusiasm in mission study, enlarged mission-

ary contributions and inspired young people to enter actively into Christian work.

4th—THAT—on the Pacific Coast nine congregations in seven towns with a membership of 7,794, report an enrollment of 1,934 in their "Church Schools of Missions," and that the new interest in the cause, is due to the fact, that "for several years leaders in missionary work in the Churches have been attending Summer Schools and Conferences where mission study methods have been taught, and that they had returned to their congregations and put into effect what they had learned."

5th—THAT—the uplifting power of Christian fellowship in the study of missions is drawing the denominations closer together in service, in intercession, and in all that goes to make them one in spirit.

MRS. MARY CLOKEY PORTER, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF STUDENT COMMITTEE

At the beginning of the Federation year the echoes of the Student Volunteer conference at Northfield were fresh in our ears. The platform there adopted provided for a large increase in enrollment for Mission Study, and in gifts from students for missions; also for coöperation with Mission Boards in manning adequately the foreign field. The National Student Associations at once organized mission study classes throughout the country. The Student Volunteer Movement arranged for Volunteers to appear before Mission Boards to confer on the matter of candidates. As the question of the objects for which the student's money should be given, and of the time and method of appeal concerned all mission agencies, representatives from the Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A., the S. V. M., the Committee of Reference and Counsel and the Student Committee of the Federation met early in the year to begin to formulate plans. The changes in the draft age, the establishment of the Student Army Training Corps and other war conditions which affected work among the men students caused repeated changes and uncertainties in the dates and other arrangements.

From the first it has been understood that the agreement of 1915 should hold and that denominational Boards should appeal for their own objects in denominational schools and colleges; that the Student Movements should have right of way in State Universities and that there should be a joint appeal by the Student Associations and the Union College Boards in undenominational Institutions. This financial campaign is now scheduled for the Lenten Season. Leaflets are being prepared and final details arranged by a subcommittee appointed by the original joint committee.

Two interesting conferences have been held between representatives of your Student Committee and the Council of Women for Home Missions. At the second conference Secretaries from the Y. W. C. A. and the S. V. M. were present. Careful consideration was given to such questions as—"Denominational representatives and denominational rallies at Student Summer Conferences," "Relating Mission study to the missionary activities of the Church," "Denominational approach in undenominational institutions." As an outcome closer coöperation between all bodies represented is expected and two definite results can already be recorded,—the first is a cordial invitation from the Student department of the Y. W. C. A. to the Federation and to the Council of Women for Home Missions to send a representative from each body annually to the meeting at which the program of mission study is adopted. The other immediate result was the appointment of a committee representing all four bodies which should prepare suggestions for Board representation at Student Summer Conferences and for the denominational rallies there held.

During the year two letters have been sent to all the Boards in the Federation to explain about the financial campaign among the students. In the second letter a few definite questions were asked regarding the student work which is being carried on by the Boards. Less than half the Boards replied. We fear this means the others have no definite work.

We should like to note here some of the outstanding features of the work done by the Boards which are best organized in

their student departments, in the hope that from these other Boards may glean suggestions.

Reference was made last year to larger plans being made by the American Baptist Board. A systematic scheme for State and College Counsellors has been put into operation. The State Counsellor is selected jointly by the State Home and Foreign Mission Secretaries. The State Counsellor chooses a College Counsellor for each college and school in her state,—not only denominational colleges but all educational institutions where Baptist young women are in attendance. The College Counsellor is asked to enter into friendly relations with the Baptist young women in the college or school for which she is responsible; to coöperate in every possible way with the Young Women's Christian Association; to keep the Baptist students in touch with the missionary activities of their denomination; to encourage student volunteers in their purpose and acquaint them with the denominational Training Schools and Secretaries. Blanks for very definite reports are furnished the Counsellors to be returned at the end of the college year.

The Methodist Episcopal Church has developed further and with success its Sister College plan. An attractive leaflet illustrating all Sister Colleges in which the Methodists have a share has been issued. The "Honorary Auxiliary for College Women" is also an important feature of the student work of this Church. Girls who have been members of the Standard Bearers are expected to transfer their membership to this auxiliary which bears the name of Isabella Thoburn, the founder of the first Christian College for women in Asia. Beyond this, special effort is made to enlist those not previously identified with missionary interests. No dues are asked, for missionary giving is directed to Sister Colleges, to Y. W. C. A. foreign work and other objects. The membership card of the Auxiliary turns the girl's mind definitely toward missionary work in the home church, containing, as it does, spaces for checking the form of work in which she is willing to engage when she returns. A form of introduction from the Branch Student Secretary and a card of transfer of membership from the Auxiliary

also help to tie the girl to missionary activity when she shall have finished her college course. Responsibility for carrying out these plans rests with a committee of women in each student centre.

The Episcopal Church has, this year, formed a new National Student Council which is now the official committee through which the Church does its student work. Upon this Council are representatives of the Board of Religious Education, the Commission for Social Service and the Board of Missions, one of the latter being the woman secretary for student work. Any collegiate organization of Episcopal Students may become a unit of the Council by agreeing to fulfill a minimum program set forth by the Council. It is the thought of the promotors of this plan that through it the approach to the students by the various departments of Church life may be unified. The project provides for student representation upon the National Council, for local autonomy by the student body and for co-operation with other religious forces in the college. Its success will be watched with interest by other denominations.

The Presbyterian Boards, North, "feeling the vast importance of work among students at the present time" have considerably increased their budget for this purpose. In addition to the two regular Student Secretaries three others are giving part time, and extra touring is provided for. In conformity with the platform adopted at the S. V. M. conference last January, at Northfield, mission study has been specially stressed this year. One of the Secretaries mentions new effort to secure from pastors the names of their girls who go to college and what they did in their home church. The money given by Presbyterian students for the foreign missionary work of their denomination is used for the Japan Christian Woman's College, Tokyo.

The General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has recently elected two candidate secretaries, a man and a woman. The student work has been organized on a larger basis and two student secretaries are employed for college visitation. Mission study and voluntary Bible study have been promoted and reports show a larger number of clases and a

large number of volunteers. Student work has gained an impetus during the year and the members of the Board are reported much more interested in this line of work than at any former time.

A correspondent from the United Presbyterian Church writes: "Our denominational colleges have been following up with some success the inspiration of that wonderful gathering of students at Northfield one year ago.—As a Church we are praying and putting forth effort to utilize the beautiful God-given spirit of self-giving manifested by the youth of today."

The Christian Woman's Board of Missions and the Foreign Christian Missionary Society are planning to employ a Candidate Secretary and together look after the student work.

The student body of the Woman's Missionary Society Evangelical Association supports its own missionary in China.

While all will not agree upon the relative importance or even in all cases to the advisability of the following recommendations your Student Committee earnestly believes that they point the way toward keeping the girl in school and college interested in the missionary work of her own church and toward turning her to active participation in that work when she returns to her home life or to new circles of activity.

(1) A definite officer or committee, or both, in every Board to plan for work among students of the denomination whether or not in denominational institutions.

(2) An effort to secure from pastors or churches names of girls entering school or college.

(3) Women or committees in towns where there are colleges or large boarding schools who shall establish friendly relations with the girls of their denomination and help in such ways as are practicable to foster their missionary interest.

(4) Systematic plans for relating a girl when she leaves college with missionary activity in the church of the locality where she shall take up her residence.

Without peradventure the present is a time to press our Student work as never before. Our colleges are filled with young women whose bitter disappointment it was that they could not stand beside their brothers to endure hardship and

danger,—yes, to offer the supreme sacrifice in order to put down wrong and establish right. During the days of world strife many of them have discovered for themselves the pure joy of service; they have learned that to spend one's life for others brings happiness beyond compare. Our young people have had a vision of a world in need and have responded wholeheartedly, unreservedly. They are open to an appeal, they are ready to respond to a call, no matter how difficult the task, if only the work offered shall seem worth while. If we can show them that the Church's task is fully as great, that the Church is as much in earnest to do the constructive work of establishing Christ's Kingdom as have been the Allied nations in their efforts to secure justice and humanity, our Mission Boards will face no lack of workers. This is the Church's opportunity. This is our opportunity. Whether our contact with the student be in the home, or in the church, or while she is in the midst of her college life, we can, by our enthusiasm, our faith in the greatness of our cause, our evident expectation of her cooperation and help further this great "student work." While Student Committees and Student Secretaries will try to promote missions in school and college as faithfully as they can, let no one overlook the fact that very much depends upon the willingness of parents to give of their best, on the readiness of the Church to preach a WORLD gospel, on the fidelity of every Christian to pray that the spirit which now pervades the student world may not be lost to the cause of Christ, but that every Christian student may have the heavenly vision and not be disobedient thereto.

ALICE B. COOK, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF CENTRAL COMMITTEE ON THE UNITED STUDY OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

1917–1918

The Central Committee has felt the effect of war, high prices, transportation and influenza, and yet it has had on the whole a good year for mission study.

Miss Burton's book has gone into three editions, one of 50,000, one of 30,000, and one of 10,000. It is soon to be published in England as their book for the coming year. It is a pleasure that we are able to become to this extent missionary allies.

The Junior book, "Jack and Janet in the Philippines," has had two editions, one of 10,000 and one of 11,000, and is selling well.

There has been a good demand for the usual supplementary material. Three editions of passports have gone out with our young travellers. The study of maps and routes and the fascinating little sketch book have interested Juniors.

We have now in press two most interesting books. "A Crusade of Compassion for the Healing of the Nations," a study of medical missions, is compiled by Dr. Belle J. Allen and edited by Mrs. Caroline Atwater Mason. Dr. Allen's experience in India gives her a valuable viewpoint and Mrs. Mason is master of the technique of a study book.

We acknowledge again with deep gratitude the guidance of God in the choice of this topic. As Red Cross groups demobilize they may be remobilized into groups to study medical missions.

The work of the Battalion of Life, our missionaries, is touched in the chapters as follows:

1. The Battalion of Life.
2. India.
3. China.
4. Korea, the Philippines and Siam.
5. The Near East.
6. Africa.

This is a most valuable book for missionary propaganda. Nothing could stimulate gifts of life and gold more strongly than a wide study of medical missions.

The Junior book is a charming story by Mrs. Evelyn Worthley Sites. It is true both in text and pictures. There are fifty-four half-tone reproductions placed in close proximity to the text. The introduction by Professor McMurray of Teachers

College is endorsement of the quality of the book and its value in religious education.

At the Foreign Missions Conference a place has been given this year to the discussion of The Child and the New World Order. Is there anything we can do as Boards to emphasize and advertise the absolute necessity of the missionary training of children? It is the only hope for a missionary church. We offer you the best possible material in Mrs. Sites' book. Accurate, scientific, charming is "Mook: True Tales of a Chinese Boy and His Friends."

We must, in view of the high cost of printing and the unusual cost of the pictures, increase the price from 25 cents to 30 cents, plus postage.

Our Business.

It has been a hard year for publishers. Some of our good customers have failed, many have not been able to pay promptly, so that we find ourselves compelled to advance money on which we must pay interest while we have nearly $6,000 out in bills. Please speak to your Board Treasurers and see that the Central Committee is reimbursed promptly.

We congratulate the Missionary Education Movement on the large returns from its financial campaign, but we hope to avoid such an appeal by a prompt accounting by our faithful and loyal Boards who have shown such appreciation of the publications of the Central Committee.

Statement of Sales

Women Workers of the Orient—Three Editions		90,000
Sales to date		88,000
Jack and Janet in the Philippines—Two Editions		21,000
Sales to date		17,000
How to Use		8,000
Sketch Book—One Edition		3,000
Sales to date		2,000
Passports—Three Editions		35,000
Sales to date		30,000
Maps—Two Editions		1,500
Sales to date		1,200
Post Cards—One Edition	Sets	2,000
Sales to date	Sets	1,200

Paid salaries, rent, office expenses, committee expenses	$ 4,443.36
Paid Missionary Review of the World	250.00
Paid printing, engraving and artist work	9,134.42
Paid royalties and author's fees	1,100.00
Paid notes and interest	7,140.43
	$22,068.21
Received: Balance on hand	$ 121.19
Received sale of literature	23,057.22
	$23,178.41

Notes outstanding last year (1917)	$ 5,750.00
Notes outstanding Jan. 1, 1918	3,650.00

The book decided upon for 1920-'21 is "The Bible and Missions" by Helen Barrett Montgomery, who will tell in her magical way of the travels of the Book, the romance of the Book and the wonders it has wrought.

Miss Margaret Applegarth will write the book for Juniors on the same topic. Her charm as a writer for children is well known.

The publication of both of these text books has been approved by the Committee of Twenty-eight.

We are now seeking the author for the book for 1921-'22. Since the completed manuscript must be in the hands of the Committee by October, 1920, it is not too soon to start on our quest, as reliable authors must have from one to two years for writing a text book.

Many have said, after "Women Workers," "Medical Missions," and "The Bible and Missions," which are topical, we shall be ready for a country, and the Central Committee agrees that it will be time. Japan is suggested, since many and great changes have occurred in the eighteen years that will have passed since we studied Dux Christus by Dr. Griffis in 1903.

We began our work in 1900 and are issuing our nineteenth book. Next year will complete our second decade. We have sent out many leaves for the healing of the nations. Approximately one and three-quarters millions of books have been pub-

lished, which we might so easily make 2,000,000 this coming year, with a little effort in advertising through our magazines. This means a total of 437,500,000 pages. With our Junior books the total would be over 500,000,000 pages. As we draw near to our twentieth birthday can we not make a special effort to get these books into the hands of all women who would help in the reconstruction of the world on spiritual foundations, not just the missionary woman but all whose hearts have been touched by war? Not a league of nations, not democracy, not anything but obedience to the Divine command and a working out of the Divine plan can save the world. We can preserve our international relations only through faithfulness to the internationalism of Calvary. Shall we not hasten the day by promoting the knowledge of His wondrous working through those who have gone in His name to carry His message?

Mrs. Henry W. Peabody, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN LITERATURE FOR THE WOMEN AND CHILDREN OF MISSION FIELDS

In spite of obstacles, this Committee has been able since January, 1918, to make some constructive plans and to arrange for further publicity for this greatly needed and growingly important department of our work.

According to the request of the Federation at its annual meeting last January, a Program for Christian Literature Day was prepared in March, in which Mrs. A. F. Schauffler, Mrs. Peabody and Miss Butler gave material assistance. Of an edition of 5,000, about 3,000 have been distributed, through the agency of the Committee on Publications. Reports from summer schools, local federations and societies show that the Program has been valuable in setting forth the subject. As a nominal price was charged the cost has been little. It seemed wise not to attempt to set a date when Christian Literature Day would be simultaneously observed, but to ask that the Boards recommend to their constituencies that this Program be placed at such a time in the calendar of the local society as would in-

sure the best attention. We urge that further use be made of the Program in 1919. It may be obtained from Miss M. H. Leavis, West Medford, Mass., at five cents each or $3.00 per hundred.

In June the "Dollar Drive" was initiated with a view to reaching women and girls in the summer schools and elsewhere, with a request for a dollar each for the Book Fund of the Committee, i. e., for the translation and publication of various small books which have been suggested, or to provide larger editions of books already prepared like, The Sky Pilot, Golden Windows, etc. The little folder for this drive, "Books for our Allies in the Orient," with its coupon attached, has been circulated at various meetings with good results, though we still need additional gifts for this fund.

The plan to hold a circuit of public meetings early last fall was sadly interfered with by the epidemic of influenza. In Pittsburgh, through the kindly coöperation of Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter, Mrs. Crouse and others, Miss Flora L. Robinson of India was given an opportunity in September to present the matter and to distribute literature at the annual meeting of the Allegheny Missionary Union. In December Miss Clementina Butler spoke on Christian Literature at an interdominational meeting in Cleveland, Ohio.

October 31 a meeting was held in Boston, when the Committee had the pleasure of welcoming Mrs. Donald MacGillivray of Shanghai, editor of Happy Childhood, and of hearing also Dr. Patton and Mrs. Peabody. At this time an appeal for money to publish an illustrated Life of Christ for Chinese children met with instant response,—a generous Baptist friend giving the whole amount needed—$250.00, and Mrs. MacGillivray is already at work upon this book which will mean so much to the children of China, as no other story of Christ's life, suitable for little folks is in existence.

In Philadelphia, the Chairman of the Committee was enabled through Miss Lodge to arrange for a program on January 10, in connection with the Day of Prayer. Other meetings will be held in the spring, if found practicable, and the Committee is gratified to be able to report the large measure of interest

which results from even a small degree of publicity. The paragraph in the Missionary Review for December in regard to the "Dollar Drive" brought response from all over the country, every letter showing a deep interest in this cause.

A plan for a magazine for Indian girls and young married women, projected for some time, seems likely to be realized during the coming year. The Committee has given $500.00 for its initiation in Lucknow under the direction of Miss Flora Robinson and her sister Ruth. It is designed for the students who go back to homes barren of all good literature and therefore will be published in English. It will be placed at the disposal of the various Mission Boards, with the hope that they may select the material best adapted for their own use, translate it into the vernacular used in their districts, and republish it on Mission presses,—the multiplicity of dialects making it out of the question to supply such magazines in the many vernaculars. This new venture of the Committee has the sanction of the National Council for Christian Literature for All-India, and now we urge that the Boards especially interested in India contribute for this new work and call the attention of their missionaries to its inception.

Another tremendous enterprise beckons on your Committee to an enlarged field of usefulness in China. Some have already learned from Mr. Lobenstine, secretary of the China Continuation Committee concerning the revolution in the written language in China, made possible by the adoption by the Government of that country of a phonetic system whereby 39 characters are used instead of thousands, a plan which revolutionizes all teaching, and opens an immeasurable vista of opportunity to those who are trying to supply good reading. There is a very definite proposition before the American Section of the Christian Literature Committee asking for immediate and practical backing. It is estimated that there are approximately 7,000 preaching places in China where there are Christian teachers, and that if the United Church of Christ in China would shoulder this great scheme and set about teaching this system to its teachers and colportuers, in an incredibly short time, there will be a "reading republic" in China, hitherto un-

dreamed of by the wildest enthusiast. It has been demonstrated by one busy doctor who used the plan in his hospital, that absolutely ignorant adults can be taught to read in less than a month by this Aladdin-like method.

A very modest budget has been submitted by the Christian Literature Council of China to the American Section of the Literature Committee, who have in turn, asked the Woman's Committee to raise its share of the funds needed to provide a simplified literature for the women and children of China under this new system. The sum asked of us is $1,000 in gold.

The Woman's Committee has been successful in small ways, but in the new world order has not the time come to make broader plans and to enter immediately into possession of new territory? The letter to the Woman's Boards sent out last February asking that the amount allowed the Committee be increased in 1918, met with immediate response from the Northern Baptist Board which doubled its gift of $100.00, with a promise of securing $500.00 for this Committee if the other Boards would follow on. So far, we are not able to report a single Board which has met this challenge, although some of the smaller Boards have materially increased their contributions.*

Generous individuals are responding to the appeal, but we need a more definite and bigger policy. How can we reach the constituency of the Woman's Boards with a call which shall be commensurate with the need, and which shall command attention?

We are servants of the Federation and shall be glad to accept any suggestion for a move forward into the "great land to be possessed."

The Treasurer's report which follows shows plainly that unless we can depend upon increased gifts from the Boards, we shall not be able to meet the demands upon us.

ALICE M. KYLE, *Chairman.*

*NOTE. It should be here stated that the W. F. M. S. of the M. E. Church supports Miss Laura White of Shanghai, whose time is wholly given to publication and translation work, and that they will release also, the Misses Robinson for part time in connection with the new magazine for Indian students.

L. V. North, Treasurer, *in account with*

Committee on Christian Literature
For Women and Children in Mission Fields

For the fiscal year ending January 10, 1919

Receipts

January 10, 1918, Balance on hand		$ 928.75
Woman's Board of Missions (Congregational)	$ 50.00	
Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Free Methodist Church	5.00	
Publication Fund of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church (Philadelphia)	55.00	
Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Church	50.00	
Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, Reformed Church in America	75.00	
Woman's Union Missionary Society (New York)	50.00	
Woman's National Missionary Association, Universalist	50.00	
Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church	150.00	
Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America, "Christmas offering"	14.05	
Woman's American Baptist Foreign Missionary Society	250.00	
		749.05
From local Boards and Societies (mainly Presbyterian and Congregational)	89.75	
Individual contributors, including "Dollar Drive"	290.25	
Boston meeting, offering	50.00	
Boston meeting, Mrs. E. M. White for Life of Christ for Chinese children	250.00	
Conferences	33.00	
		713.00
		$2,390.80

Expenditures

China		
Annual appropriation for Happy Childhood	$500.00	
For extended distribution of Happy Childhood	80.00	
Salary, Mrs. Chen, Chinese editor of Happy Childhood, April, 1918, to 1919	255.00	
Cost of transmitting drafts to China	7.50	
		$ 842.50
India		
To Miss Robinson for Students' magazine	500.00	
To Miss Robinson for book translation	50.00	
		550.00

Expense of publishing and traveling		
Printing, postage and stationery	158.30	
Clerical assistance for public meetings, reports, etc.	23.50	
Expenses of speakers at public meetings and for committee work	140.43	
		322.23
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To Mrs. MacGillivray for Life of Christ for children (special gift for purpose)		250.00
		$1,964.73
Balance, January 10, 1919		426.07
		$2,390.80

REPORT OF INTERDENOMINATIONAL INSTITUTIONS ON THE FOREIGN FIELD FOR 1917-1918

The Women's Christian College, Madras, India

This college closed its third year in the spring. The President, Miss McDougall, writes, "We thankfully note signs of progress and development. We were very proud when our first seven graduates were presented one after another at the Convocation." All these young women received their education in mission schools and all but one are teaching or preparing to teach in the future. The total attendance for 1917-18 was 76. The income from fees amounted to rs. 4,500. The total budget was rs. 49,078.00.

The new Hostel for which ground was broken in June, 1918, is now occupied and fills a great need. One hundred students were expected at the opening of the present college year.

The long-desired land, Naboth's Vineyard, is not yet in the possession of the College. The American Section of the Board of Governors is asked to assume half the cost of its purchase, of $12,500.00. A part of this amount has been raised by subscriptions taken at Summer Conferences and in hotel parlors. "I have never seen money come so beautifully," said one interested woman. Each participating Board is asked to be responsible for $1,000 of the remaining amount.

Important steps in advance have been taken in the formation of a College Committee which shall lead in the management of all student affairs. An association of old students has also been organized which pledges itself to give and solicit substantial help for the college.

"No form of human interest or activity would seem to be omitted in the student organizations; vigorous societies, literary, dramatic, musical, scientific, debating, athletic, philanthropic, religious, missionary, express the abounding life of the college girls. The College magazine, The Sunflower, is an attractive publication of a dignified sort, describing the events of the many societies and clubs. The College has a branch of the National Missionary Society and of the Young Women's Christian Association. The Tamil Students conduct three small Sunday Schools and the Telugu students assist in a Missionary Sunday School. "Lighted to lighten" is the motto of the College; its symbol is the lamp used in the common daily life of India."

One of the younger members of the faculty writes, "I am extremely busy for though my classes are small one student requires as much lecturing as twenty, besides I am head gardener, and nurse for the large building full of girls." And she adds, "I love it."

The following paragraph from the Report of the College Council bears its testimony to the purpose and the faith which the college is building into its life:

"The report upon the third year of the life of our college strengthens our conviction that God has indeed been with us and that He has intrusted to us a work of great importance for the bringing of His Kingdom in India.

"Before us, even as behind,
Is God, and all is well."

Ginling College, Nanking, China

The records of the third year show an enrollment of 36 students. They come from eight provinces, from 21 cities and represent 16 preparatory schools and 10 denominations.

"We recall the skepticism which this venture faced during its first year of existence when nine Chinese young women made up the college roll of students. It was reported that we had more teachers than students, but the exact proportion was 1 to 1.5," so Mrs. Thurston, the President, tells us. She writes further: "We shall be crowded in our present quarters next year and we are glad to be the owners of 25 acres of land for a college campus. It requires faith to say that we expect to be in our own buildings not later than 1920, but—faith can do impossible things. High prices and low exchange create difficulties but they should not be allowed to become obstacles."

The College finds itself the landlord of something like a thousand graves in this new property. Removals, adjustments, delays and additional expense are all involved in getting the property ready for its new uses. On Chinese Arbor Day, last April, the College took formal possession of the new Campus, planting a faculty grove and a class grove at different places on the southern hill.

The fall of 1918 found 53 young women enrolled as students at Ginling College. Two dormitories accommodating fifty students each, a faculty residence, and a recitation building will all be needed by the fall of 1920. With the addition of a new class, the college requires a larger faculty. An office Secretary, a special teacher for English and a physical director should be found for the coming year.

Establishing a college in China is pioneer work. It cannot be patterned after colleges in our own land but must adapt its life and its course of study to the conditions and needs which it finds in China. All the future of a new college depends upon the standards set, the traditions formed, and the influences set going in these early years. Here as everywhere it is the magic touch of life upon life which counts for most. In Mrs. Thurston's own words: "The teachers should have time for personal contact with their students and time to study the peculiar problems related to the college. We want to give our students the ability to defend their faith and a growing desire to propagate it, for it is China's only hope."

North China Woman's College, Peking

This college has had two years of residence in its new property. For the year ending June, 1918, the students numbered 37. These represent ten denominations and nine Chinese provinces. Miss Miner, the Dean of the College, in writing of the outlook for the present year says, "It looks as though we should have an attendance of about fifty..... We shall be turning students away in a year or two unless we can soon have money to erect the large dormitory building needed even now. Fortunately we have land for that, though not as much as we would like." The college faculty was strengthened during the year by the presence of Mrs. Alice Brown Frame; and Miss Susan W. Orvis, who is giving her time to the college during her enforced absence from her own mission station in Turkey. A music teacher from America, Miss Stahl, has been added to the regular faculty.

The College girls gave unusual and beautiful service this year in caring for the flood refugees whom they went after and brought back with them from the stricken region. Miss Miner writes, "Our College girls are having a practical education in mothering these refugees. We planned to keep them only four months but money kept coming in and we hope now to keep them at least until the autumn harvest. Money is pledged to help at least four of them to enter a regular boarding school."

In this, as in other schools in China, a spiritual awakening came to many of the young women through the Sherwood Eddy meetings.

North China Medical College for Women

Since classes are entered only alternate years, there have been no matriculants, and no graduates this year. Sixty young women have been in attendance. They came from Korea, Manchuria and many provinces of China. All but two are Christians. The standard for entrance is being raised steadily. Cooperation with the China Medical Board for the past two years has given very essential assistance. This arrangement expired in June, 1918. So a larger faculty will be necessary in the future. Dr. Leonard, the Dean of the School, writes emphat-

ically on this subject. She says, "Above all other needs, an adequate staff is demanded. We need full time teachers, specially trained for particular subjects. All our present teachers are subject to interruption by other mission duties. Flood relief and plague preventive work claimed the attention of our staff this year. We want to build up a first-class school, but first-class work cannot be done under such conditions."

More room is needed for laboratory work and for classwork and dormitories. And a fund for the upkeep and the payment of Chinese helpers is most necessary. Dr. Ethel L. Leonard has been added to the faculty. After a year spent in study, she entered the regular teaching staff in the fall of 1918. Graduates of the School are doing good service in hospitals, schools, dispensaries and homes in many parts of China.

The Woman's Christian College of Japan

On April 30, 1918, this college was formally opened in rented quarters in Tsunohazu, a suburb of Tokyo. To those who had worked and prayed for the establishment of the College, this was an epochal event. When 84 young women from 17 mission and many government schools marched two by two into the gymnasium where the opening ceremony was held, it heralded the dawn of a new era in Japanese civilization. Dr. Nitobe, the President, gave the principal address of the day. He said, "Have you caught the significance of this large number of women before you today? Union Colleges have started in other countries and there has been great satisfaction even though the number of pupils has been small. In China a college began with 6. In India another enrolled 16. That our doors are opened to 84 students shows the need for work along this line." The response to this address was given by a young woman who stood first in the entrance examinations and who had come all the way from Manchuria to enter the college.

Four courses are offered. Liberal Arts, Japanese language and Literature, English language and literature, and Business. The length of these courses is four years, including the preparatory year. Above this department a graduate department of two years will be established. In addition to the 84 enrolled as

regular students, there are about 20 attending special lectures. Every week the attendance is increasing.

This new college opens under conditions of great promise. Government and its officials give it hearty support. The people of Japan are eager to give their daughters the advantages of a higher education in the safe atmosphere of a Christian College. Missions are pledging money and lives that the womanhood of the empire may be truly free and able to do for their country what educated Christian women in other lands have done for theirs.

Dr. McDonald of Toronto in his congratulatory remarks gave this text to the new College given to King George at his coronation in Westminster Abbey, "I am among you as one that serveth. Service means sacrifice—England and Canada and the United States are finding that out these days—but sacrifice means joy." Our Federation joins in his prayer. "May the teachers and pupils of this college dedicated to Christian service find this joy of self-sacrifice for others."

Medical School for Women, Vellore, India

A cable received in the office of one of our Mission Boards, the middle of August, read as follows:

Vellore, India.
His excellency, the Governor, formally opened medical school today.
(Signed) Scudder.

The first classes are to be for apothecary and sub-assistant surgeons only. Now that the war is over and plans can be made for new buildings, it is hoped that university classes will be opened soon. Government pledges a grant of rs. 12,500 the first year and half the cost of books. Two bungalows conveniently located have been rented for hostel and class room purposes and the chemical laboratories of Voorhees College will be open for the use of the students.

Nine young women registered on the day of the opening of the college. It is expected that 25, the limit fixed for the first class, will be reached.

Much of the burden of this new institution must rest on the shoulders of Dr. Ida Scudder, who is already carrying heavy work in the hospital of the Arcot Mission at Vellore. She says, "If I can only keep well and keep calm and keep so near the Master that I can have His strength, all will be well." We ask the women of all our Boards to remember Dr. Scudder and her associates and their pupils.

The Isabella Thoburn College, Lucknow, India

During the year plans have been consummated by which the Presbyterians shall coöperate with the Methodists in the support and administration of this college. Negotiations are under way for the purchase of new land on which a College building will be erected, the total cost being over $30,000. Three bungalows on the property will afford dormitory room for the present. The Presbyterian Board will furnish one-sixth the cost of the new building and two members of the faculty.

The enrollment of the school for the past year has been 70.

Miss Flora Robinson has recently been elected President of the College. May her service here be blessed of God to the womanhood of India.

We mention also the following union institutions whose work has been faithfully and successfully carried on during the year. Bible Training Schools at Nanking and Peking. The Nurses Training School at Nanking, the Normal School at Chentu, West China, and the Woman's College at Canton, Southern China.

Clotilda L. McDowell, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF FIELD REPRESENTATIVE

The program which confronted your Field Representative on her appointment last January was sufficiently broad, varied and complex in its opportunities and its problems, and yet so faintly outlined in its boundaries and definitions as to furnish a decided challenge both to faith and effort. The invitation carried such cordial and loyal promise of counsel and support

from leaders and superior officers that it seemed it could not be declined and at the same time such assurance of flexibility of plan and freedom in action as would alone make possible the growth of a work carried on at so long a range and with so many untried possibilities.

Part I Synopsis of Plans

I—*Objective:*

1. By correspondence and by visitation, where possible, to act as the representative of the Federation and the Council in organizing or assisting to form federations of Women's Missionary Societies throughout their territory.

2. To organize intensively one or two states or localities for experimental work in testing out policies and methods.

II—*Methods:*

1. To establish direct communication with all existing federations.

2. To strengthen and nurture federation activities and encourage larger aims.

3. To survey fields and localities and create strategic centers for operation.

4. To coöperate with interdenominational agencies.

   (a) The committees of the Federation and the Council when requested.

   (b) The Laymen's Missionary Movement in conventions for women, paralleling their conventions for men.

   (c) The Missionary Education Movement in conferences and institutes.

5. To lead federated study classes and to organize and conduct institutes or training schools for officers and leaders of mission study classes.

6. To enlist the denominational Women's Boards and their local representatives, where a special campaign has been carried on, in careful plans for conserving and extending the results among their constituencies.

7. To try to secure recognition of the real scope and purpose of missions from women's clubs and all kinds of social service and philanthropic organizations.

Part II Report of Results

In conference with the officers it was decided that the first eight months should be spent in work on the Pacific Coast. The determining factor in this case was the fact that the Laymen's Missionary Movement had chosen the Pacific Coast to test the efficacy of its plan for a series of conventions for women paralleling the well known type of three-day conventions for men so successfully standardized through ten years of powerful and ever-widening appeal to the men of America.

In the fall of 1917, ten conventions were held in strategic centers in California, where over five thousand women paid the registration fee and easily one thousand more, in some localities where the registration principles was not strictly observed, attended one or more sessions of the conventions, while from five to eight hundred—possibly one thousand women served on committees and for a period of time varying from six weeks to three months worked and planned and prayed toward a common end, enlisting probably the largest number of women ever united in a concerted piece of religious work in California.

In February and March, a similar series of conventions was held in Washington and Oregon through which some of the principal centers of the Northwest were reached; so that in a single season, the larger part of the Pacific Coast was challenged with the need of the world for Christ in this crucial hour. The total number of women registered in the entire range of conventions was nearly seven thousand, nearly nine thousand attended one or more sessions, while probably fifteen hundred women served on committees of preparation in some capacity. In nearly, if not all the convention cities, a federation of women's missionary societies either already existed or was organized as a result of the conventions, thus furnishing an agency for continued effort. The influence of the conventions, and of the intensive cultivation following them, reached far

beyond the convention cities themselves to a large surrounding territory.

The Inspirational Approach afforded by such a series of meetings proved to be a most important initial step.

At each of the conventions, a Conservation and Extension Program was presented and in most, if not all, of them adopted, following the lines of organization, extension, prayer, education and finance.

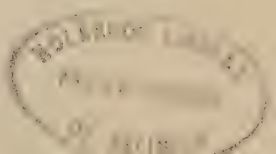
Perhaps the most important and fundamental outgrowth of the parallel conventions for women is the creation of a system uniting strategic centers like the convention cities with the auxiliary cities and towns of the convention territory by which a league of coöperation may be established where strong central federations will assist in the formation and nurture of societies in the smaller and weaker churches and towns adjacent.

Twenty-three cities and localities have been reached by personal visitation, some of them a number of times. Indirectly, through individual conferences with their representatives concerning specific conditions and problems, more than twenty-five others have been touched. While a much larger number have been influenced through public gatherings in the way of district, state or Board meetings where federation work has been presented.

The summer months were largely occupied in visiting all the Summer Schools and Conferences on the Pacific Coast for the purpose of studying the relation of the whole range of the training offered to the need of the constituency of the Federation and the Council and to discuss federation work in general with the women in attendance.

Your representative has also worked throughout the year in the closest coöperation with the Missionary Education Movement both in Conferences and Institutes, in assisting in the program, in building up a constituency and in other forms of intensive cultivation.

By request of Dr. Sidney L. Gulick and Miss Martha B. Hixson, assistance was given in arranging for the series of meetings held in May throughout the coast on "The Moral Aims of the War," securing a responsible leader to interest



women in the meetings in each of the twenty cities in California, Washington and Oregon and corresponding with them regarding plans. At her request, a conference was held with the Student Secretary of the Pacific Coast Field Committee of the Y. W. C. A. and plans outlined for increasing the interest in missionary education in the colleges and providing more adequate normal training.

At the suggestion of the president of the Federation, a Directory of existing federations was started. A list of two hundred and twenty, with the address of the president or secretary, has been compiled.

The list submitted contains record of unions in thirty-four states and the District of Columbia and, with all of them, correspondence has been attempted. The only states from which no unions have been reported are Delaware, Georgia, Maine, Montana, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North Dakota, West Virginia, Virginia, Nevada, South Dakota, Utah and Wyoming, while an effort has been made to touch the last five named. Of the two hundred and twenty unions listed, a response has been secured from only sixty-four of which a Directory has been prepared and submitted to both the Federation and the Council.

Along the line of study and investigation, there have been prepared:

a. A Study of the California Field in its relation to the federation movement.
b. A survey of Summer Schools and Conferences on the Pacific Coast.
c. Supplies for local Missionary Unions, such as constitution and record cards.
d. Complete outline, covering organization and publicity in detail for a city-wide, church-wide campaign of missionary education in a local community.

The Human Element. The Report in its necessary adherence to bare outlines, gives no conception of the personal element which has kept routine from sinking into drudgery, of the privilege of carrying new conceptions, larger aims and great objectives to purposeless organizations and to isolated

ones, a vision of the joy of comradeship in a great and growing campaign.

The year's work has been largely experimental, attempted because of a long standing and deep rooted conviction that the Missionary Federation has an important and unique contribution to make to the religious life of our day—never more important than at the present hour.

While the work has been confined largely to the Pacific Coast, the point of view has been at no time sectional and the first desire has been always to think through problems, to test policies, to overcome difficulties, to help to establish standards that might be made general and permanent in their application.

MRS. PAUL RAYMOND.

NOTE: Owing to the exacting limits of space, the detailed and valuable report of Mrs. Paul Raymond, Field Representative of the Federation of Women's Boards of Foreign Missions of North America and Council of Women for Home Missions to December, 1918, has been necessarily much curtailed. THE EDITOR.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS

At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Federation, May 16, 1918, the following matter was referred to the By-Law Committee:

That the question of coöpting members for Committees be referred to theCommittee on By-Laws.

Also at the meeting of the Executive Committee on October 11, 1918, it was voted that the action taken at the annual meeting in January, 1918, that the Secretary be made a member of the Committee on Publications and Literature, be referred to the Committee on By-Laws.

Your Committee therefore recommends:

Add to By-Law III, Duties of Committees, under 2, Standing Committees, the phrase, "Any Standing Committee of the Federation may coöpt members to a number not to exceed one-third of the regular membership of the Committee," so that it may read,—"The Standing Committees shall be appointed by

the Executive Committee, and shall each be composed of not less than three nor more than nine members. Any Standing Committee of the Federation may coöpt members to a number not to exceed one-third of the regular membership of the Committee." This is in accordance with the custom of other similar bodies, and secures the services of valuable women who cannot be included in the regular membership of the Committee.

It was voted at the annual meeting of the Federation in January, 1918, that the Secretary of the Federation should be a member of the Committee on Publications and Literature, and therefore the Executive Committee advised incorporating this in the By-Laws.

In response to the request the Committee on By-Laws recommends that to

By-Law III. Duties of Committees.
2. Standing Committees.
(1) On Home Base.
d Publications and Literature.

the phrase should be added, after the first sentence, "The Secretary of the Federation shall also be a member of the Committee on Publications and Literature," so that it reads,—"The Central Committee of the United Study of Foreign Missions as at present composed of seven members elected by seven denominational Boards shall constiute the Committee on Publications and Literature. The Secretary of the Federation shall also be a member of the Committee on Publications and Literature."

(Signed) Margaret E. Hodge, *Chairman.*
Mrs. W. F. McDowell.
Mrs. L. M. Coy.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSION BOARDS OF NORTH AMERICA

Constitution

I. Name

This organization shall be called the Federation of Woman's Boards of Foreign Missions of North America.

II. Object

The object of this organization shall be to promote greater efficiency in the work of the Woman's Boards of Foreign Missions, to stimulate united prayer and study, to secure a fuller development of resources and a truer conception of the scope and purpose of woman's work for missions.

III. Meetings

The Federation shall hold annual meetings for conference and the transaction of business, preferably in January, in or near New York City. The meeting may be held elsewhere once in three or four years, if so ordered.

IV. Membership

1. Any Woman's Foreign Mission Board of an evangelical Church agreeing to coöperate in the purpose and work of the organization and paying an annual fee based upon its annual income may belong to the Federation.

2. The Woman's Foreign Mission Boards of each denomination shall be related to the Federation as one body.

(1) Each Board, or group of Boards, representing a denominational body, whose annual income for foreign missions is $250,000 or more, may send to the meetings of the Federation four officers and ten accredited delegates.

(2) Each Board, or group of Boards, representing a denominational body, whose annual income for foreign missions is $25,000 or more, but less than $100,000, may send four officers and five accredited delegates.

(3) Each Board whose annual income for foreign missions is $25,000 or more, but less than $100,000, may send three officers and two delegates.

(4) Each Board whose annual income for foreign missions is less than $25,000 may send two delegates.

3. The Woman's Union Missionary Society and the Foreign Department of the Y. W. C. A. National Board shall bear the same relation to the Federation as do the denominational Boards.

The Student Volunteer Movement shall be entitled to two delegates.

4. Each Board belonging to the Federation shall appoint one woman, preferably an officer, who shall be the means of communication between the Executive Committee and her Board. She shall be known at the "Federation Representative."

V. Officers

The officers of the Federation shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. (The Secretary may also be the Treasurer, if desired.)

These officers and the chairmen of standing committees shall be elected at the annual meeting. The officers shall not be eligible to office for more than two successive years.

VI. Committees

There shall be an Executive Committee, such standing committees on Home Base and on Foreign Field, and such special committees as may be deemed necessary.

VII. Amendments

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any annual meeting. No change which was not submitted to the previous annual meeting shall be voted on.

By-Laws

I. There shall be the following standing committees:
   1. On Home Base.
      (1) Methods of Work among Women, Young People, and Children.
      (2) Student Work.
      (3) Summer Schools and Conferences.
      (4) Publications and Literature.
   2. On Foreign Field.
      (1) Interdenominational Committee on Christian Literature for Women and Children in Mission Field.

II. There shall be the following special committees:
   1. A Committee on Nominations to consist of three members, one of whom shall be new each year, to be appointed at the annual meeting by the President of the Federation.
   2. A Committee on Arrangements and Programs for the next meeting, to be appointed by the Executive Committee.

III. Membership and Duties of Committees of the Federation.
   1. *The Executive Committee.*
      (1) The officers of the Federation and chairmen of standing committees shall constitute the Executive Committee. A denomination not thus represented shall have the privilege of sending, at its own expense, its Federation representative as a voting member of this committee. Five members representing four constituent Boards shall constitute a quorum.
      (2) The duty of the Executive Committee shall be to have oversight of the work of the Federation to suggest plans for the extension of interdenominational work, to arrange for the day of prayer and prepare a program for the same to appoint special committees not already provided for as may be deemed necessary *ad interim,* and to arrange for auditing the books of the Treasurer. It shall have full authority to take whatever action may be necessary in emergencies, provided no financial obligation shall be incurred beyond that for which provision is made, and to fill all vacancies occurring during the year, with the exception of committees otherwise provided for.
   2. *Standing Committees.*—The standing committees shall be appointed by the Executive Committee and shall each be composed of not less than three nor more than nine members.

      Any standing committee of the Federation may co-opt members to a number not to exceed one-third of the regular membership of the committee.
      (1) On Home Base.
         a. Methods of Work among Women, Young People, and Children.

It shall be the duty of this committee to secure information concerning approved methods of work among women, young people, and children, to develop plans for increasing their interest in foreign missions and methods by which information may be imparted through lecture courses, institutes, conferences, normal study classes, etc.

b. Student Work.

It shall be the duty of this committee to ascertain the present status of missionary work in the various schools and colleges and to secure through the student departments of the Boards, as far as practicable, the regular presentation of foreign missions and systematic mission study.

c. Summer Schools and Conferences.

It shall be the duty of this committee to make a study of existing summer schools and to indicate locations which seem to be strategic points for other schools or conferences.

d. Publications and Literature.

The Central Committee on the United Study of Foreign Missions, as at present composed of seven members elected by seven denominational Boards, shall constitute the Committee on Publications and Literature. The Secretary of the Federation shall also be a member of the Committee on Publications and Literature. This committee shall plan, as far as possible, two years in advance for the foreign mission textbooks and other literature for women's societies and affiliated organizations. These plans shall be presented for approval at the annual meeting of the Federation. This committee shall arrange for editing and printing all publications authorized by the Federation. It shall give a report of the moneys received and disbursed by the committee and shall make recommendations concerning the use of any possible surplus. The books of this committee shall be audited annually by an auditor nominated by the committee and approved by the Federation. This committee shall represent the Federation on the committee of twenty-eight. It shall have power to act in emergencies without concurrence of the Federation.

(2) On Foreign Field.

a. Christian Literature for Women and Children in Mission Fields.

It shall be the duty of this committee to supervise the work of providing such Christian literature for women and children in mission fields as is of interdenominational interest, to secure funds for the same, to make recommendations for publications, translations, editors, etc.

b. Interdenominational Institutions on the Foreign Field.

It shall be the duty of this committee to gather information concerning interdenominational institutions for women on mission fields and to present the same to the Federation. This committee shall be chosen from the boards of control of the interdenominational institutions.

IV. Meetings.

1 The Executive Committee shall meet at least once a year in connection with the annual meeting of the Federation. Meetings may be called in the interim by the President and Secretary or on request of three members of the Federation representing at least two denominations. The Recording Secretary shall notify the Federation representatives of all actions taken.

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5. An office expense not to exceed $50 annually shall be allowed each officer and chairman of standing committees.

6. Expense accounts shall be countersigned by the President of the Federation.

7. An itemized budget shall be presented annually by the Treasurer to the Federation.

VI. Reports.

All standing committees are required to present written annual reports to the Federation, these reports having first been submitted to the Executive Committee.

VII. Amendments.

The by-laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any annual session. No change which was not submitted to the Committee on By-Laws thirty days before the session shall be voted on at that session.

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